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1. WE HAVE NOW RECEIVED FROM DUTCH EMBASSY ADDITIONAL MATERIAL CONCERNING THEIR PROPOSAL IN REF A. INTENT IS TO FREE PHILIPS AND SIMILAR VIDEO (PRESSED) DISC RECORDING SYSTEM EQUIPMENT (CF. ARTICLE IN " NEWS SCOPE" COLUMN OF MAY 24, 1973 ISSUE OF " ELECTRONIC DESIGN" MAGAZINE) FROM EMBARGO. VIDEO LP SYSTEM WILL BE ON THE MARKET NEXT YEAR OR SHORTLY AFTER AND DUTCH BELIEVE SOVBLOC COUNTRIES, SUCH AS POLAND, WILL WISH TO HAVE AT THEIR DISPOSAL RECORDING FACILITIES FOR THEIR OWN LOCAL PROGRAMS. THIS IMPLIES THEY EITHER WANT TO HAVE A " RECORD MASTER MAKING MACHINE" OR THE REQUIRED KNOW- HOW.

2. DUTCH BELIEVE PLAY- BACK EQUIPMENT WILL BE EXEMPTED BECAUSE THE PLAY- BACK LASER COMES UNDER US PROPOSED EXCLUSION IN IL 1522. DISCS THEMSELVES ARE STAMPED AND HENCE ARE NOT AN EMBARGOED RECORDING MEDIUM. IN THE RECORD MASTER MAKING MACHINES TWO LASERS ARE USED, ONE A SMALL 2 MW HELIUM- NEON (NOW EXEMPTED BY US PROPOSAL) USED AS DISTANCE REGULATOR. THE SECOND, FOR REGISTRATION PROPER, IS A HEAVIER TYPE, PRESENTLY A 125 MW KRYPTON- ION LASER FUNCTIONING AT WAVELENGTHS OF 350.7 NM AND 356.4 NM. DUTCH PROPOSAL IN /7 IS INTENDED TO PERMIT EXPORT OF SUCH EQUIPMENT.

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3. UK HAS NOT YET REPLIED TO REF B QUERY.

4. REQUEST POSITION ON AT LEAST DUTCH PROPOSAL - AND IF
POSSIBLE UK PROPOSAL ALSO - IN TIME FOR JULY 3 COCOM MEETING.
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